

MESSAGE FOR U.S. CITIZENS

U.S. Embassy, Manila, The Philippines

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THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES IS TRANSMITTING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION THROUGH THE EMBASSY WARDEN SYSTEM AS A PUBLIC SERVICE TO AMERICAN CITIZENS IN THE PHILIPPINES. PLEASE DISSEMINATE THIS MESSAGE TO ALL U.S. CITIZENS IN YOUR ORGANIZATION OR NEIGHBORHOOD.

Eligible Voter Primary Information for

Alabama, California, Iowa, Mississippi, Montana,

New Jersey, New Mexico, South Dakota, and Texas

Please scroll down to your state, or go to FVAP.gov and select your state.

Texas Runoff Election on May 27

The State of Texas will hold its primary runoff election on May 27. If you are a Texas resident living outside your voting jurisdiction and wish to vote in the primary runoff and you did not request a ballot for the Texas primary, you must register on or before April 28.

You may register to vote absentee using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) at FVAP.gov. If you complete and return this form, Texas will register you as an absentee voter and send you your ballot for any elections this year.

If you are already registered in Texas and you did not request an absentee ballot for the primary, you must request your primary runoff ballot by May 20. You may request a ballot by using the FPCA.

Detailed information is available at the following website: fvap.gov/texas, along with the FPCA. If you are registered and have not received your absentee ballot by April 27, use the Federal Write-In Ballot to vote. The form is also available at fvap.gov/texas.

Alabama Primary Election on June 3

The State of Alabama will hold its primary election on June 3. If you are an Alabama resident and want to vote in the primary, you must be registered by May 23. If you live outside the Alabama area and need to register to vote absentee, you can do so using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) at [FVAP.gov](https://fvap.gov). If you complete and return this form, Alabama will register you as an absentee voter and send you your ballot for any elections this year.

If you are already registered in Alabama, you must request your ballot by May 29 if you want to vote in the primary.

Detailed information is available at the following website: fvap.gov/alabama, along with the FPCA. If you are registered and have not received your absentee ballot by May 4, use the Federal Write-In Ballot to vote. The form is also available at: fvap.gov/Alabama.

California Primary Election on June 3

The State of California will hold its primary election on June 3. If you are a California resident and want to vote in the primary, you must be registered by May 19. If you live outside California and need to register to vote absentee, you can do so using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) available at [FVAP.gov](https://fvap.gov). If you complete and return this form, you will be registered to vote and will receive an absentee ballot for all elections held until you do not return an executed ballot in four consecutive statewide general elections. You may also register and request your absentee ballot online at RegisterToVote.ca.gov.

If you are already registered in California, you must request your ballot by May 27 if you want to vote in the primary. You can request an absentee ballot using the FPCA available at fvap.gov.

Detailed information is available at the following website: fvap.gov/california. If you are registered and do not receive your absentee ballot by May 4, use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) to vote. The form is also available at fvap.gov/california.

Iowa Primary Election on June 3

The State of Iowa will hold its primary election on June 3. If you are an Iowa resident living outside your voting jurisdiction and wish to vote in the primary there is no registration deadline, but you must request to receive your absentee ballot.

You may request your absentee ballot by completing, signing and sending the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) found at FVAP.gov to your local election official. If you would like to receive your ballot by mail your request must be received by your local election official by 5pm May 30. If you would like to receive your ballot by email or fax your request must be received by your local election official by 5pm June 2.

Your local election official will send you ballots for all elections this year.

Detailed information is available at the following website: fvap.gov/iowa, along with the FPCA. If you do not receive your absentee ballot by May 4, use the Federal Write-In Ballot (FWAB) to vote. The FWAB is also available at fvap.gov/iowa.

Montana Primary Election on June 3

The State of Montana will hold its primary election on June 3. If you are a Montana resident and want to vote in the primary, you must be registered by Election Day. If you live outside Montana and need to register to vote absentee, you can do so using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) available at FVAP.gov. If you complete and return this form, you will be registered to vote and will receive an absentee ballot for all elections held in the calendar year in which it is submitted and through the next calendar year.

You must request your ballot by June 3 if you want to vote in the primary. You can request an absentee ballot using the FPCA available at fvap.gov.

Detailed information is available at the following website: fvap.gov/montana. If you do not receive your absentee ballot by May 4, use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) to vote. The form is also available at fvap.gov/montana.

Mississippi Primary Election on June 3

The State of Mississippi will hold its primary election on June 3. If you are a Mississippi resident and want to vote in the primary, you must be registered by May 24. If you live outside your election jurisdiction and need to register to vote absentee, you can do so using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) available at FVAP.gov. If you complete and return this form, Mississippi will register you as an absentee voter and send you your ballot for all elections this year.

If you are already registered in Mississippi, there is no deadline to request your ballot if you want to vote in the primary.

Detailed information is available at the following website: fvap.gov/mississippi, along with the FPCA. If you are registered and have not received your absentee ballot by May 4, use the Federal Write-In Ballot to vote. The form is also available at: fvap.gov/mississippi.

A PDF fillable document will be provided as a ranked choice runoff absentee ballot simultaneously with the primary ballot. Complete the special runoff ballot at the same time as voting your election ballot and it will be tabulated in the event that there is a runoff election. The runoff election is scheduled for Tuesday, June 24 and will be held if no candidate receives the majority of the votes cast for an office in the regular primary election.

More information can be found at: sos.ms.gov/elections_voter_info_center2.aspx

New Jersey Primary Election on June 3

New Jersey will hold its primary election on June 3. If you are a New Jersey resident and want to vote in the primary, you must be registered and request your ballot by May 30. If you live outside New Jersey and need to register to vote absentee, you can do so using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) available at FVAP.gov. If you complete and return this form, New Jersey will register you as an absentee voter and send you your ballot for all elections this year.

Detailed information is available at the following website: fvap.gov/new-jersey, along with the FPCA. If you are registered and have not received your absentee ballot by May 4, use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) to vote. The form is also available at fvap.gov/new-jersey.

New Mexico Primary Election on June 3

The State of New Mexico will hold its primary election on June 3. If you are a New Mexico resident and want to vote in the primary, you must be registered by May 6. If you live outside New Mexico and need to register to vote absentee, you can do so using the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) available at FVAP.gov. If you complete and return this form, you will be registered to vote and will receive an absentee ballot for all elections held through the next regularly scheduled general election.

If you are already registered in New Mexico, you must request your ballot by May 30 if you want to vote in the primary. You can request an absentee ballot using the FPCA available at fvap.gov.

Detailed information is available at the following website: fvap.gov/new-mexico. If you are registered and do not receive your absentee ballot by May 4, use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot (FWAB) to vote. The form is also available at fvap.gov/new-mexico.

South Dakota Primary Election on June 3

The State of South Dakota will hold its primary election on June 3. If you are a South Dakota resident living outside your voting jurisdiction and wish to vote in the primary you must register to vote by May 19.

You may register to vote by completing, signing and sending the Federal Post Card Application (FPCA) found at FVAP.gov to your local election official. This will also serve as a request to receive absentee ballots for all regularly scheduled Federal elections in 2014. You may also use South Dakota's online portal at <http://sdsos.gov/ioasis/> to register to vote, request a ballot and receive a ballot that you can mark online and print out to mail to your local election official.

If you are already registered to vote, must still request to receive your absentee ballot. You may request your absentee ballot by completing, signing and sending the FPCA to your local election official by June 2. You will receive ballots for all regularly scheduled Federal elections in 2014.

Detailed information is available at the following website: fvap.gov/south-dakota, along with the FPCA. If you do not receive your absentee ballot by May 4, use the Federal Write-In Ballot (FWAB) to vote. The FWAB is also available at fvap.gov/south-dakota.

The Embassy is located at 1201 Roxas Boulevard, Manila, Philippines and is open 0730-1600, Monday through Friday. The Embassy's main telephone number is (+632) 301-2000. U.S. citizens can dial this number and ask to be connected to the American Citizen Services (ACS) unit or with the Embassy Duty Officer (for calls outside of normal business hours). You can also contact the ACS unit through email at ACSInfoManila@state.gov or through the [Embassy Facebook page](#). Please visit [our website](#) for information on all services offered by the ACS unit.

We strongly recommend that U.S. citizens traveling to or residing in the Philippines enroll in the [Department of State's Smart Traveler Enrollment Program \(STEP\)](#) at www.Travel.State.Gov. STEP enrollment gives you the latest security updates, and makes it easier for the U.S. embassy or nearest U.S. consulate to contact you in an emergency. If you don't have Internet access, enroll directly with the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate.

Regularly monitor the State [Department's website](#), where you can find current [Travel Warnings](#), including the [Travel Warning for the Philippines](#), Travel Alerts, and the Worldwide Caution. Read the [Country Specific Information for the Philippines](#). For additional information, refer to ["A Safe Trip Abroad"](#) on the State Department's website.

Contact the U.S. embassy or consulate for up-to-date information on travel restrictions. You can also call 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or 1-202-501-4444 from other countries. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays). Follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#), and download our free [Smart Traveler iPhone App](#) to have travel information at your fingertips.